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## Memorandum

TO: City Council FROM: Mayor Chuck Reed

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO SAN JOSE DATE: April 25, 2007

**ARENA AUTHORITY** 

APPROVED: DATE:

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Approval of Rani Yadav-Ranjan as the Mayor's appointment to the San José Arena Authority Board of Directors:

Rani Yadav-Ranjan is an accomplished entrepreneur with experience in the private, public, and non-profit sectors. She uses her expertise to mentor fellow female entrepreneurs throughout Silicon Valley and has worked to expand opportunities in business for women. Founder and Vice President of the Women's Democratic Club of Silicon Valley, Rani has served in a wide array of positions including as a Board member for Opera San José and Commissioner on the County of Santa Clara Commission on the Status of Women. She currently serves as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Construction Navigator, a software and business intelligence firm. Rani's knowledge of business and experience with a wide range of organizations will help to serve the San José Arena Authority and their goals.

## **BACKGROUND**

The San José Arena Authority was formed in 1990 to oversee the management and operation of the HP Pavilion and act as the City's liaison to the community on issues involving the Pavilion operations. The San José Arena Authority offers a number of programs including the Arena Ticket Distribution Program, the City and Community Events Program, and the San José Sports Hall of Fame.

The Arena Authority Board of Directors meets monthly to identify and address issues relating to the ongoing management and operation of the HP Pavilion and Logitech Ice at San José. These meetings are open to the public. The Mayor's appointee with be joining Councilmember Sam Liccardo and Nora Campos on the Board of Directors.